

30th March 1959]

Minimum wages for agricultural workers

* 1087 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any communication recently from the Centre regarding the fixation of minimum wages for agricultural labourers; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In October 1958 the Government of India have requested this Government to take up immediately the question of fixing minimum wages for employment in agriculture.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Handloom Cess Fund

36 Q.—SRI P. G. MANICKAM : கனம் கைத்தொழில் அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) 1958-59-ல் கைத்தறி ஜவுளி ரிபேட்டுக்காக ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லாவுக்கும் ஒதுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கும் தொகை எவ்வளவு?

(ஆ) 1958-ஆம் வருஷக் கடைசி வரைக்கும் ஒவ்வொரு ஜில்லா விளும் செலவுபடுத்தப்பட்ட தொகை எவ்வளவு?

A.—(a) No districtwise allotment of funds is made for the payment of subsidy towards rebate allowed on the sales of handloom cloth. The claims for subsidy received from the circle of each Deputy Registrar are scrutinised and sanctioned for payment from out of the grants made to this State from Cess Fund.

(b) Districtwise particulars of subsidies towards rebate sanctioned from 1st April 1958 to 31st December 1958 are given below:—

Name of the district.	Amount of subsidy sanctioned in 1958 from 1st April 1958 to 31st December 1958.	
	RS.	NP.
1 Chingleput	69,627	92
2 Coimbatore	4,89,902	00
3 North Arcot	1,16,085	24
4 South Arcot	1,30,723	32
5 Salem	4,76,090	73
6 Madurai	1,76,295	89
7 Kanyakumari	1,61,073	59
8 Tanjore	36,839	77
9 Madras	5,84,587	92
10 Nilgiris	1,928	91
11 Ramanathapuram	15,93,253	59
12 Tirunelveli	4,99,229	11
13 Tiruchirappalli	1,26,659	28
Total	44,61,467	27

(Rupees forty four lakhs sixty-one thousand four hundred and sixty-seven and naye Paise twenty-seven only.)